

# Ranger Walks & Talks Event Calendar

## **September 4-7, 2015**

NPS/USFS Ranger Partnership





#### **Campground Programs**

• **Bonito Campground,** Friday, September 4

7:30-8:15 pm. **Volcanoes of North America.** Come listen in to a tale about the fiery effects of volcanoes in northern Arizona and beyond. Pictures of awe-inspiring eruptions and the stories of one man's traveling adventures will inspire you to embark on your own bold wanderings! Program conducted by volunteer park ranger Eric Zeliff.

• Pine Grove Campground, Friday, September 4

7:30-8:15 pm. **Hummingbirds of Arizona**. Join NPS volunteer Rick Ruess to learn about the tiniest bird in North America and a personal encounter in nature with a broad-tailed hummingbird. At the campground amphitheater.

• **Dairy Springs Campground**, Saturday, September 5

3:00-3:45 pm. **Seldom Seen.** Join NPS Ranger Robert Wallace for an easy 1/2 mile stroll along the Dairy Springs Loop Trail to uncover mysterious things that are difficult to see or often overlooked. Meet at the amphitheater.

• **Pine Grove Campground,** Saturday, September 5

7:30-8:15 pm. **That Stinks! Skunks in Nature.** What should you do if you encounter a skunk in nature? Come to find out more about these animals so you can protect yourself and your pets and learn how to reduce the risk of getting *skunked*. With USFS Ranger Chelsea Schroeder at the campground amphitheater.

• Bonito Campground, Saturday, September 5

7:30-8:15 pm. **The Wonders of Our Galaxy.** What's that up in the sky tonight? Come take a look at the wonders of our galaxy you can see in the night sky. Bring your eagle eyes, or binoculars if you have them, to this 45 minute talk which will teach you how to look for and find the wonders of our universe with nothing more than a willing heart and keen eyes! Meet volunteer ranger and astronomer Pat Benson at the campground amphitheater.

• **Dairy Springs Campground**, Sunday, September 6

3:00-3:45 pm. **Life in the Ponderosas.** A fun 45-minute nature walk through a Ponderosa Pine Forest with USFS ranger Chelsea Schroeder on the Dairy Springs Loop Trail. No dogs please. Meet at the amphitheater.

#### **Arizona Snowbowl**

• Friday, September 4 through Monday, September 7

10:00 am-4:00 pm.

Enjoy **Ranger Talks Atop the Scenic Chairlift Ride** every Friday through Monday this summer. The grandest view in the Southwest at 11,500 feet! Call 928-779-1951 for further details or visit www.arizonasnowbowl.com. **Sunset Fridays:** Don't miss out on the last *Sunset Friday* of the season! Chairlift hours are extended until 6 p.m. Purchase a full priced chairlift ticket from 2-6 pm and receive a complimentary BBQ.

### Ranger Walks, Hikes, & Events

• Saturday, September 5

9:00 am-12:00 pm. **Riding the Rails to Mormon Lake.** Join USFS rangers Steve and Lois Hirst on the 1887 Arizona Mineral Belt RR grade from its summit to Mormon Lake. Lots of railroad history and stories. See the Mormon Lake loop road in a new way. Go 20 miles south on Lake Mary Road and turn right on FR 90 (Mormon Lake Road). Go 2 miles and meet at FR 132.

Monday, September 7

9:00 am-12:00 pm. **Rio de Flag/Hidden Hollow Hike.** Join NPS rangers Bill & Ellen Wade for an easy, 2-mile walk in sun & shade along the Rio de Flag and on the 1857 Beale Wagon Road. Meet at the Hidden Hollow Rd turnoff from Hwy 180, approx. 1/2-mile northwest of the Peak View Market & Shell station in Cheshire. 928-637-5175.

These informative programs are presented through a partnership between the National Park Service (Flagstaff Area National Monuments) and the United States Forest Service (Flagstaff Ranger District of the Coconino National Forest).

Canceled in the event of rain, lightning, fire, snow, or high winds.